WHITE HOUSE INCIDENTS. The Requirements of Diplomacy-Queer Letters That Come in the Mail.

the improvements which are to follow

statehood for the Dakotas, considerable real estate excitement is predicted.

Special to the Indianapole Journal. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- Some humorous letters and some amusing incidents occur at the White House frequently. The other day, during the excitement over the disaster in Samoa by which three of our men-ofwar were dashed to pieces and many lives were lost, the President and Mr. Blaine were in the former's room holding a consultation over the outlook. Naturally there was a very serious atmosphere around the White House, as the sad incident had cast a gloom over all who knew of it. Queen Victoria sent a cablegram extending her condolence to the people of the United States through the President, and it was transmitted to the chief executive through the charge d'affaires. The diplomatic officer was ushered into the presence of the President while the latter was consulting with his Secretary of State. Both the President and Mr. Blaine arose to their feet as the British embassador entered, and taking off his hat in the most formal way, he anded a message to the first man of the land. After the message was read by the President, there was a formal interchange of regrets and sympathy which lasted several minutes. Then the charge d'affaires bade the gentlemen good afternoon and departed. When the door was closed, Secre-Slaine turned to President Harrison

"Funny, isn't it, how differently we receive people in this room and receive them out West or in our own houses. Now, if if that man had come into your house out at Indianauolis with such a message you would have invited him to sit down and make himself comfortable. Then you would have addressed him by his name and thanked him for his message. But it would not be 'diplomacy' to do that thing here. It was necessary to treat the whole matter in the most formal business way. What great changes come over us through an election!" On last Sunday an extraordinarily large bundle of letters was received at the executive mansion, and while the President was assorting them over for the purpose of securing those marked "Personal" and those which appeared to be for himself individnally, he ran across one addressed as fol-

President of the United States.

Another letter, written by an ardent Hoosier who wanted a position in the diplomatic or consular service, was inclosed in a large-sized envelope and addressed to:

General Ben Harrison, Executive Mansion, Washington, A sheet of fool's-cap writing paper was used, on which to indite the message. During the campaign there were photolithograph copies of a picture of General Harrison circulated. They were about six by ten inches in size, and were printed on heavy book paper. This Indiana office-seeker had taken one of these photographs, and, cutting it in two at the breast, had pasted the head and bust on the upper portion of the sheet of paper. Under this he wrote the following letter:

His Excellency is kindly requested to recom-mend and support the undersigned as envoy ex-traordinary and minister plenipotentiary or con-sul-general to any of the following States: zuela, Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, Colombia and South and Central America generally. * * This will take the place of a single-file hand-shake and its attendent symptoms, a one-minute buzzing in your ear, as now practiced by office

A short time after the disaster in Samoa had been verified at the Department of State and copies of the cablegrams were sent to President Harrison, and while the chief executive was working through tears upon his piles of applications for office, a delegation of friends of a naval officer called upon him, and asked for the promotion which will naturally take place by the leath of the unfortunate men on board the Vipsic and Vandalia. The President did not say anything, but received the officers kindly. He thought, however, it was a very remarkable proceeding. A few min-utes afterward another delegation came in and insisted upon the recognition of some other naval officer for promotion by reason of the death of these men. Then followed some more people who wanted their friends in the navy promoted. This was the straw that broke the camel's back, and the President informed his callers that he thought it was a burning shame that there should be such an unceemly scramble for dead men's shoes. He said the friends of men in the navy should wait until the bodies of the unfortunates had been recovered and laid at rest before there was any feeling over who should secure promotion.

THE EXECUTIVE MANSION.

An Unhealthy Old Structure Whose Old-Fashioned Grandeur Is Much Admired.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The plumbing in the executive mansion is being thoroughly overhauled. When President Harrison went into the White House it was discovered that in some of the rooms the dampness and the sewage had conspired to cause a green mold to form on the walls. On a foggy or heavy day the sewer gas was so strong that it would make one sneeze in portions of the building, while in other places it could be actually tasted. The effeet of this poisonous atmosphere was to make Mrs. Harrison quite ill, and she has been confined to her bed or room almost constantly for ten or fifteen days, and will have to go away from Washington in order to fully recuperate. Meanwhile plumbers have been at work tearing out the arrangements in some of the closets, and putting in new pipes around a number of the water faucets.

Everyone who enters the White House admires the grandeur of the old-fashioned building, and the natural abandon of the place. The ceilings are high, the rooms wide and square, the hallways broad, the conservatory capacious, and there is a warmth and cheerfulness which suggests the ease of a spleudid old Southern home. It looks "sorter George Washington like," as a woman from the West put it the other day, and without any thought to health and comfort for a permanent home the visitor is ready to exclaim: "How I should like to live here!"

This is all just, on general principles, but those who are not robust, or who have not been acclimated to Washington are almost invariably made sick upon entering the White House. The illness of Mrs. Harrison, and the enormous amount of business which has been forced upon the new President, requiring greater office-room, have emphasized the necessity for the construction of a private residence for the President of the United States. This question has been agitated a number of times by the publican Senate, but has always failed when it reached the Democratic House of Representatives. It is understood that an appropriation will be made during the approaching session of Congress for a new building, where the President can live with building, where the President can live with comfort and without risk to the health of himself and family, and where there will be more than five bed-rooms, a single dining-room and three parlors in which to entertain thousands of people every week.

Since Mrs. Harrison came to the White House she has had with her all the members of her immediate family, but she expers of her immediate family, but she exsects to be quite alone during the summer. I fours, \$876,000 at \$1.29. Registered four-and-

Her daughter, Mrs. McKee, will be some weeks in the South during the spring, while her son and his wife expect to go to their home in Helena, Mont., very shortly. The President and Mrs. Harrison will undoubtedly spend their summer vacation in the region of Deer Park, Md., where they used to go when General Harrison was in the Senate. Ex-Senator Davis, of West Virginia, has some cottages at Deer Park, and every summer for years past he has placed one of them at the disposal of General and Mrs. Harrison. Deer Park can be reached in a few hours' run from Washington, and, if necessary, the President can leave here at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon and arrive at his cottage-high up in mountains, where there is a fresh, bracing breeze, in time for supper. The President can there have beautiful drives, and any amount of constitutional walks. He also found congenial company there for himself and Mrs. Harrison.

A Reception in the Red Parlor. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WASHINGTON, April 6 .- This evening's Star says: "Mrs. Harrison saw a number of callers by appointment, yesterday, in the Red Parlor. Many of the engagements have been standing for several weeks. This was Mrs. Harrison's first reception since her recent illness. She is looking very well, and says she is as ever. Mrs. Harrison wore becoming toilet of black silk, made with panels and revers of black brocade, and a vest of pure India silk. Mrs. Russell Harrison, in old rose Henrietta cloth, and Miss Ada Murphy, in gray cloth, were present. Miss Murphy is a guest at the White House. She has recently concluded a visit in the family of Mr. Geo. B. Williams, in this city, and made many acquaintances here when visiting in the family of Senator and Mrs. sabin, two years ago. Mrs. Harrison has no intention of going away from home at the present time, and whether the Presi-dent goes or not depends entirely upon the state of affairs at the executive mansion. As long as the present pressure of business con-tinues, the President will remain at his official post. The servant girl question has settled itself satisfactorily to all parties concerned. Mrs. Harrison brought with her two colored servants from Indianapolis, and there is now the same proportion of black and white servants in the hite House that has always been maintained. The colored servants that were displaced were succeeded by colored servants. Mrs. Scott-Lord, who so acceptably and graciously took upon her-self the duties of the lady of the White House during Mrs. Harrison's illness, is herself now suffering from a severe attack of influenza."

MINOR MATTERS.

Bar Meeting to Take Action in Memory of the Late Justice Matthews.

WASHINGTON, April 6 .- The United States Supreme Court bar held a meeting to-day in memory of the late Justice Matthews. adopted by the bar some time ago, setting to-day for delivering eulogies of the dead justice. Addresses were made by General Mussey, Representatives Mc-Kinley and Breckinridge, ex-Governor Hoadly and ex-Senator McDonald, of Indiana. The miserable weather was responsible for the small attendance, there not being more than two score of the members present, and the general public was represented by but a mere handful of peo-ple. Several eloquent eulogies were de-

After the exercises in memory of Justice Matthews were finished, an hour or more was devoted to eulogistic addresses to the memory of the late ex-Justice Campbell, who was on the Supreme Bench before the war and resigned early in the war to

The Weather and the Crops. WASHINGTON, April 6.-The Signal Office weather crop bulletin for the week ending Saturday, April 6, says:

"The weather during the week was generally favorable to growing crops in the Southern States, where the grain is reported in good condition and the cotton crop about two-thirds planted. Heavy rains retarded farm work in Arkansas and West Tennessee, and more rain is needed in Kentucky and the southern por-tion of the East Gulf States. In the winter-wheat region, extending from Ohio to Kansas and Nebraska, rains during the week affected growing crops favorably. The season is we advanced and the crops are in good condition, but there is a general deficiency in moisture throughout the winter-wheat and spring-wheat regions of the central valleys and the Northwest. In Minnesota and Dakota the weather was generally unfavorable, and high winds, with destructive prairie tires, interrupted farm work, which, however, is well advanced. In the Middle States the conditions were generally favorable for wheat, rye and oats, but the work was delayed by wet weather."

In New England the ground is generally covered with snow, and but little farm work has been completed. The prospect for the fruit crop in the Southern and Western States is excellent,

although slight injury is reported from frost in Missouri and Kentucky, and probably some dam-age will result from frosts which are likely to occur east of the Mississippi river to-night.

Secretary Windom's Bond Policy. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- Secretary Windom today verified the prediction, made several days ago, that he would buy 4 per cent. bonds if offered at reasonable rates, by accepting \$1,376,-000 bonds of that loan at \$1.29: He also established the highest price he will pay for four-and-a-half per cents. by accepting \$82,500 of that class of bonds at \$1.08, and rejecting offers aggregating \$1,633,000 at \$1.084. It was learned this afternoon that the above rates, viz.: \$1.29 for four per cents and \$1.08 forfour-and-ahalf per cents, will govern bond-buying opera-tions of the government for some time to come, unless some unforeseen disturbance should occur in the money market to require a modifica-tion of this policy. It is regarded as likely that Secretary Windom, in dealing with the sur-plus question, will confine himself for the present to the purchase of bonds without attempting any radical change in the system of national bank deposits adopted by his predecessors. The surplus to-day is stated at \$55,000,000 an increase of \$10,000,000 since the 4th of March. The total amount of bonds purchased to date under the circular of April 17 is \$128,cents. and \$76,201,300 were four-and-one-half per cents. The cost of these bonds was \$150,-222,620, of which \$67,700,930 was paid for the four per cents. and \$82,521,681 was paid for the four-and-one-half per cents.

An International Money Standard.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- General Harrison favors another international conference for the establishment of a uniform bimetallic standard of money. The last one was held in 1881, and did not result in the accomplishment of what was desired. It is the purpose of this administration to urge the necessity of an international standard for gold and silver, by which a gold or silver dollar will be worth the same the world over. This would, in a large degree, obviate the necessity of our present monetary exchange and bills of credit systems.

Indiana Postmasters.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- The following Indiana

postmasters were appointed to-day: Rollin S. Tidrick, Kinghurst, Carroll county. vice George Krause, removed; Isaiah A. Galveston, Cass county, vice Andrew J. Patter-sor, removed; Wesley Nading, Flatrock, Shelby county, vice Calvin P. Esley, removed; Charles W. Hanley, Kinman, Jasper county, vice Thos. C. Sayers, resigned; Benjamin Fowermeyer, Later's Ford, Fulton county, vice James F. Saxon, removed; Albert P. Michael, Nebo, Cass county, vice Henry L. Foglesong, removed.

Changes in the Revenue Service. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- There will be several

changes in the Internal Revenue Bureau on the 15th inst. The resignation of Deputy Commissioner Henderson will take effect on that date, and he will be succeeded by Mr. George Wilson, of Hamilton, O., who was formerly in the service as a revenue agent. At the same time Col. H. C. Rogers, who was removed by President Cleveland from the office of Deputy Commissioner, will assume the duties of chief clerk of the bureau, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Biddis.

An Investigation Desired. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WASHINGTON, April 6 .- A demand has been made upon the District Commissioners for an investigation into the management of the Washington Asylum. It is alleged that there has been gross mismanagement of this institution, extending through the poor-house and the farm on which vagrants are worked. It is alleged that wholesale orders have been issued from time to time for whisky and brandy, and that it has been used freely by the inmates.

Appointments by the President. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- The President made the following appointments to-day:

Eben S. Rand, of Maine, to be appraiser of merchandise in the district of Portland and Falmouth, Me.: George C. Sturgiss, of West Virginia, to be attorney of the United States for the district of West Virginia.

Bond Purchases. WASHINGTON, April 6 .- To-days bond offerings

-halfs, \$383,000 at \$1.0814; \$82,500 at \$1.08. Secretary Windom this afternoon accepted the following bonds: Registered fours,; \$1,376,000 at \$1.29; registered four-and-a-halfs, \$82,500

General Notes.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal Washington, April 6 .- Senator John Sherman intends to take a long rest this summer. He has been exhausting his physical powers with work for several years and it has begun to tell upon him severely. With Mrs. Sherman and Miss Mary Sherman he will sail from New York on the steamer City of New York, on May 1. A number of family relatives and friends will sail

Col. H. L. Swords, af Iowa, who was sergeant at-arms to the national Republican committee during the late campaign, and who has been prom-inently mentioned for the same position in the United States Senate when that body is reorganized, next fall, has been appointed inspector of furniture in the Treasury Department. The salary is \$3,000 a year. The position is an influential one, and will give him an opportunity to do much traveling. General Superintendent Bell to-day appointed the following assistant superintendents of the railway mail service: Llewellyn G. Estes, of

North Carolina, assigned to duty in the office of the First Assistant Postmaster-general; W. H. McGinnis, of Ohio, assigned to duty in the office of the Second Assistant Postmaster-general. The President has appointed Capt. George Wilson, of Ohio, Deputy Commission Revenue, vice Henderson, resigned. Secretary Windom has appointed H. C. Rogers, of Pennsylvania, chief clerk of the Internal Revenue Bureau, vice Biddis, resigned.

Tobe Hert, of Bedford; Hons. H. M. Lafollette, Bruce Carr and M. Bradford, of Indianapolis, registered at the Ebbitt this afternoon.

Wm. Dunn Hynes, of Indianapolis, was among the callers at the White House to-day.

Miss Elenor Foster will shortly accompany her guest, Miss Orr, of Evansville, to her West

Representative and Mrs. Wm. S. Holman have ssued cards for the marriage of their daughter, Parmela Dean, and Frederick L. Harvey. The ceremony is to take place on Monday evening, the 8th inst., at 9 o'clock, at Trinity Church.

The President has appointed Hugh B. Lindsay, of Tennessee, to be United States district attorney for the Eastern district of Tennessee. The Attorney-general has received the resignation of J. E. Williams, assistant United States attorney for the Eastern district of Arkansas. He has also received the resignation of D. A. Fisher, a special examiner in the Department of Justice, to take effect on the 15th inst Mark Hardin, a special agent of the Treasury Department, stationed at St. Paul, Minn., has re-signed, to take effect on the 15th inst.

LABOR INTERESTS.

Buffalo Carpenters and Painters Jubilant Over the Surrender of Several Firms. BUFFALO, N. Y., April 6.—The striking carpenters and painters were jubilant today over the surrender of several firms. Senator Evarts presided, and Senator Ed- | Five hundred carpenters are now at work munds reported a series of resolutions | for bosses who have conceded the demands of the men. Twenty-three employing painters have signed the agreement up to this afternoon. Three more bosses signed later, and the outlook for the men is most encouraging. In all probability the agreement will be signed by all of the master builders and painters by Monday or Tues-

day.

The Erie switchmen's strike is practically over, the strikers' places being filled by

Rioting at Rochester.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 6 .- The street car strike condition is growing rather serious, a small riothaving occurred on East Main street, at noon to-day. A large crowd of men, most of them factory hands who were taking their nooning, gathered at the corner of St. Paul and Main streets and indulged in disorderly actions. Mud and stones were thrown and a number of car windows broken.
About 1 b'clock some one hit a "scab" driver over the right ear with a brick, cutting his head and causing him to lose his composure He drew a revolver and fired into the roadway directly beneath his feet, jumped from his car and ran, pursued by about 200 men and boys. He escaped from them. The police finally dis-persed the mob, after arresting about twenty-five men. William Toner, a man who came here from New York to take a car, was arrested this morn

Moving for Eight Hours. PITTSBURG, April 6.-The various labor organizations included in the National Federation of Labor are making preparations for a big demonstration in this city, on July 4. Similar celebra-tions will be held in all the leading cities of the country. The object is to take preliminary steps toward enforcing the eight-hour system. It has been decided to enforce the eight-hour rule for work in all branches of trade, on May 1, 1890. Many of the trades are already working eight hours, but the greater number are still laboring ten hours a day, and quite a number twelve hours for a day's work. The object of these meetings is to enlist the support of all classes of workmen, and to notify employers to make preparations

ing while flourishing a revolver in the Central

for the new era. A "Moonshine" Raid Abandoned. LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 6.-The raid of federal deputy marshals and revenue agents against the illicit distillers near Hindman. Ky., who recently ambushed and killed Deputy Marshal Russell Wierman, has for the present been abandoned. Revenue Agent Brown and Commissioner Friend, who had charge of the expedition, found, when they assembled their men at Prestonburg, that only about twenty men would volunteer to make the attack. A part of these even were deputy marshals who had just come in from a hard ride and were in poor condition for a fight. The "moonshiners" were reported strongly intrenched in their distilleries, nine miles from Hindman, and to number thirty-five men, well armed with Winchester rifes a stand volvers. They were said to have sworn to stand together to the death to resist arrest, for they regard arrest as only a sure road to execution it revenge for the killing of Wierman. With such odds against them. Brown and Friend, in spite of the protests of the federal deputy marshals determined it would be unwise to attempt to capture the outlaws. The mountaineers are under the leadership of Sam Adams, Randall Adams, Sam and Isaac Sloan and George Mad-den, whose brother, Arch Madden, was slain in the fight with Wierman and his posse.

Rhode Island's Postponed Elections. PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 6.-Eleven members elected to-day, and it was expected the contro of the Legislature would be settled, but only four were chosen—a Senator and one Representative each in Cranston and two Representative sentatives in Johnston by small majorities. Newport a full ticket of a Senator and five Representatives was voted for, and so close was the contest that within 100 of the ull poll list was voted, but it failed of election The Legislature now stands: Senate, twenty four Republicans, and ten Democrats; two to be elected. House, twenty-seven Republicans, an thirty-seven Democrats; eight to be elected. Th Republicans must gain four more members to control the joint ballot and elect the general officers, and the Democrats eight more. Newport will not vote again on Tuesday.

Lonsdale's Fellow-Traveler. CHICAGO, April 6.—Alphonse Leduc, the half-breed who accompanied Lord Lonsdale part of the way to the Arctic, arrived in Chicago to-day from Manitoba. Leduc says that with funds and material he can reach the north pole- His idea is to go overland by sled. He thinks that with 300 men a line of communication for supplies north and news south could be maintained without great difficulty. Headquarters would be on the peninsula of Boothia, twelve days by courier from the nearest telegraph to Winnipeg. Leduc will attempt to interest a number of newspaper to get them to back him. It is possible that gov-ernment aid will be asked. Leduc goes from here to New York within a day or two.

Boomers Threaten Criminal Acts. WINFIELD, Kan., April 6.—A reliable man, just from Oklahoma, says he has learned that the poomers, hundreds of whom are hid in the thick brush on the many streams in that country, have formed a plan to burn all the bridges on the Santa Fe railway on the night of April 21, or sooner, so that no trains can get into Oklahome on the 22d. He says the boomers swear they are going to have the claims they have staked out, at whatever cost. People bound for Oklahoma are arriving here daily from all over the Union, and excitement runs high. Thirty-five wagons ar-

rived from Mead and Comanche counties to-day,

and camped just west of town to await the proper time to move to Oklahoma. Scoundrels Assault a Young Girl. GOSHEN, Ind., April 6 .- A criminal assault was committed upon Amanda, the sixteen-year-old daughter of James Traster, a prosperous farmer of Kosciusko county, south of here, by John and Samuel Coy. About dark the former went to the Fraster house and invited Amanda Traster take a buggy-ride. She accepted, and they de parted. While on the road they were joined by Samuel Coy, and when in a secluded spot the two men, disregarding her piteous entreaties tore the girl from the buggy and forcibly as saulted her. She was then left to wander home

The two men have fled. Assignment of a Paper Company. DAYTON, O., April 6.—The Miami Valley Papermill Company, of Miamisburg, assigned this afternoon to Oscar F. Davisson, of this city. Liabilities, \$65,000; assets, nominally \$75,000.

New York Excursion. The C., H. & D. will run a grand excursion to New York and return at very lov rates April 27 and 28. Tickets good six days. For full particulars address or call on W. H. Fisher, General Agent, corner Illiaggregate \$1,341,500 as follows: Registered | nois street and Kentucky avenue, IndianGREAT FIRE AT SAVANNAH.

Broughton and Barney streets, while a man

was lighting a gas-jet. Soon the fire had

run to almost every part of the building,

and those in it had barely time to escape.

The fire was communicated to the crockery

store of James H. Douglas & Co., immedi-

ately east of Hogan's, and it was all ablaze

in a jiffy. A high wind prevailing con-

tributed to spread the flames, and there

fire

loss, with its

at least \$150,000. The

Many Business and Other Structures Burned, Involving a Loss of More Than \$1,000,000. tion. The list of appointments for the coming year will be ready to announce at noon on Monday, and conference will adjourn immediately after they are read. SAVANNAH, Ga., April 6.-At 6:55 o'clock to-night fire broke out in the show-window of D. H. Hogan's dry goods store, corner of

Prosperous Church and Literary Society. special to the Indianapolis Journal CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., April 6 .- At the Methodist Church at Potato Creek there is a literary association in a flourishing condition, and the Sunday-school is under the care of the society. There are almost one hundred books in the brary and there are no debts outstanding. At the last election of officers for the Sunday-school Wm. N. Russell was chosen superintendent, Wm. A. Irons, assistant; Hattie Cook, secretary; John Peterson, treasurer; George Cook, libra-rian, with Tell Cook assistant; G. D. Snyder, chorister, and Ina Corns organist.

was no possibility of checking them. This Y. M. C. A. Exercises. building is one of the finest business blocks Special to the Indianapolis Journal in the city, and its destruction represents contents, of Humphries, at Center; C. D. Meigs, of Indianapolis, at Baptist; Rev. M. H. Hawkins, of Frankfort, at Methodist. To-morrow afternoon J. G. Blake will deliver a lecture to young men, and jumped to the magnificent four-story brick building known as Odd-fellows' Hall, and it was destroyed. It represeds a loss in the evening the dedicatory exercises of the new building will be held. LEAGUE ISLAND NAVY-YARD.

of \$125,000. Among its occupants was the Young Men's Christian Association and several store-keepers on the ground flooor. The second and third stories of the basement brick dwelling immediately west were also destroyed; loss, \$8,000 to \$10,000. The fire next spread from the corner of Barnard and State streets through twelve or fifteen brick houses, destroying them. These represent a loss of not less than \$75,000, including contents. The air was filled with sparks, one of which lodged on the steeple of the Independent Presbyterian Church. corner of Ull and South Broad streets, four or five blocks from the starting point of the fire. The church was destroyed, as was also its handsome brick Sunday-school building and four or five contiguous dwellings. The city has only four fire engines, all were needed in the busi-

part of the city. No attempt was made to fight the fire at the church. The loss on church, chape and contents is \$200,000. Loss on dwellings in the vicinity at least \$35,000. In the meantime the fire had communicated to the enpola on the large four-story brick builders' materials by Andrew Hanley. The loss on this building and its contents is probably \$80,000. Across the street from this was the handsome new brick arsenal of the Savannah Guards battalion, which was destroyed; loss, \$85,000. Ten or fifteen wooden dwellings were also burned, on which the loss is probably \$15,000. It is impossible to tell where the fire will stop. as sparks are starting new outbursts in spots quite remote from those now burning. Charleston, S. C., Augusta and Macon have been asked to send engines. The total loss will doubtless reach \$1.500,000, and the in-surance will be much less. Some loss of life

may be developed to-morrow. MIDNIGHT.—The fire is under control. In addition to the buildings already mentioned, the fire swept away all the struct-ures on each side of Whittaker street, between York and South Broad streets. They were not fine buildings, but will probably add \$20,000 to the losses mentioned in the earlier dispatches.

The fire also swept along the north side of South Broad from Whittaker east to within one house on Bull street, the only structure left standing being a brick residence owned by Dr. Daniel Hopper, which covers a site which the government once endeavored to buy as a location for the United States Court and postoffice building. No loss of life has been reported, and no serious casualties. Neighboring cities promptly started fire companies, but all were turned back before reaching here. The best estimates of loss justify the previous statement of \$1,500,000. Half of the south side of the block on

York street, between Whittaker and Bull is also in ruins. One of the heaviest loosers there is Thomas B. Henderson, undertaker.

SOMERSET, Ky., April 6.—The depot, dispatcher's office, water tank, etc., of the Cincinnati er's office, water tank, 'etc., of the Cincinnati Southern road burned after midnight, last night. The fire crossed the street and destroyed J. F. Barker's store, Rouseau's billiard hall, Thornton & Keiser's restaurant, Mrs. McCabe's hotel, Mrs. O'Brannon's hotel, Mrs. O'Connor's hotel and a number of other buildings. About two hundred railroad men are driven from their boardinghouses and the railroad has given them cabooses for shelter. The total loss is estimated from for shelter. The total loss is estimated from \$75,000 to \$100,000. It is supposed the fire caught from a locomotive spark.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal MATTOON, Ill., April 6 .- W. T. Mason's brick residence, in this city, was seriously damaged by fire this morning, which is supposed to have originated from sparks falling upon the dry shingle roof. He carried \$3,000 insurance on the building, in the Home, of New York, and \$1,200 on the contents, in the Hartford, of Hart-

VICKSBURG, Miss., April 6.-The fire in Clarkes dale last night destroyed twelve large stores in the business part of the town; also, several resi-dences. Following are the principal losers: J. Sudday, A. D. Carruthers, Greenbaum & Kahn, J. R. Simmons, F. A. Bufford, A. Korster, C. E. Ellington and J. H. Price. The total loss is estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 6.-The Whitelock House at Marietta, was burned this afternoon. The guests escaped unhuit. Loss, \$40,000; insurance, \$18,000; Adjacent residences were also burned, causing additional loss of \$10,000.

NORTH INDIANA M. E. CONFERENCE. Candidates for the Ministry Put on Trial, and Others Admitted to Full Connection.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LAGRANGE, Ind., April 6.—The fourth day of the North Indiana Conference opened this morning with devotional exercises conducted by A. Greenman. Subsequently A. B. Leonard, of Ohio, missionary secretary, spoke in the interest of the mission work. The apportionment for missions to the North Indiana Conference is \$15,000 the amount raised last year being \$12,000. Dr. Martin, of DePauw University was introduced, and Bishop Walden took the chair and presided for an hour.

Dora Williams, Joseph Gehring, Madison Harlan, George Green, C. Cissel, Wilbur Nelson, H. C. Asheroft, Joseph Cook, F. Lacy, John F. Bailey and Wilbur Nelson were continued on trial and advanced to the second year. George Rogers, Alfred Forkner, Lewis Levitts, J. Lewis, Louis Reeves, E. Albertson, A. L. Lamport, Theo. Freich and Eli Davis were elected deacons of the second class. Noah Brandeberry was granted a superannuate relation on account of ill health, and A. E. Sarah was given the same relation. Dr. Joseph Cook was transferred to the Michigan Conference, and J. Lewis was left without appointment to attend school. The following were admitted to tull connection: Brenton Hellopeter, W. Murray, Malachi Coopor, Charles Merca, Henry Davis, Sherman Powell, James Bills, William Randolph, Joseph Haines, and Sherman Ross. Bishop Andrews delivered a powerful speech to the class, instructing them in their duties

as ministers. The question of the use of tobacco by ministers was the theme of some discussion and the same was vigorously condemned. One young minister, Charles Albertson. who asked to be admitted on trial, and who denied using tobacco, was taken to task, Rev. M. Mahin declaring that the day before he had detected the odor of the weed upon the young man's breath. For this, and because it was charged that Rev. Albertson had not paid his debts, the con-ference declined to admit him, and his case was recommitted.

John Poughty, John Deweese, William McCarty, Robert Carkle and Cassius Cissel were elected to deacons' orders, and Richard Hubbard was elected an elder. P. J. Albright, now a minister in the Dakota Conference, was transferred to the North Indiana and made effective. Jay Darwin and Ulysses Bridge were admitted on trial, and the conference proper adjourned to as-semble for memorial services at 3 o'clock on

At 2 o'clock this afternoon Miss Kate Corey, missionary to Foo Chow, China, delivered a stirring missionary address, the occasion being the anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the church. This meeting was followed I an exhausted condition.

with a mass temperance meeting, Dr. M. M. Parkhurst making the principal address.

To-night Dr. Martin, of DePauw University, and H. N. Herrick, of Fort Wayne Colege, spoke in the interests of church educa-

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., April 6 .- Sunday morning the pulpits in this city will be occupied by Y. M. C. A. workers, as follows; J. G. Blake, of Richmond, at the First Presbyterian; F.

Secretary Tracy Makes an Inspection and Is Received with a Salute from Dynamite Guns.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—The new Secretary of the Navy, B. F. Tracy, inspected the harbor at Philadelphia to-day, and afterwards visited the League Island navyyard, making the trip on the tug W. S. Stokley. The start was made 9:45, at 11:05 the ship-yard was sighted, and as the Stokley neared it, a puff of white smoke rose from the bow of the dynanamite cruiser Vesuvius, and was followed by a loud report. The officers upon the new cruiser were saluting the Secretary of the Navy with the dynamite guns-the first salute of the kind ever given, and the first regular firing of the guns of the cruiser. The usual salute of nineteen guns for the Secretary of the Navy was fired, the Stoklev responded with shrill shricks of the whistle. No stop was made at the ship-yard, but the cruisers Baltimore, Philadelphia and Newark, now building, were pointed out to the Secretary. As they neared the new navyyard Congressman Harmer called Secretary Tracy out to look at the Yorktown, which had steam up and presented a very fine appearance. The Stokley was made fast to the monitor Montauk, at the navy-yard, and the party on board crossed that and the monitor Jason, both of which saw service in the war of the rebellion, and boarded the receiving ship St. Lonis, where they were met by Captain Whitehead, commandant of the ship, and his officers and men. A salute was fired by the men of the St. Louis, in command of Lieutenaut-commander Wm. H. Wobb. From the St. Louis the party boarded the Yorktown. Capt. B. H. Seely, commandant of the station, received them on the bridge, and conducted the Secretary and his party over the vessel. After inspecting and admiring the Yorktown the Secretary was shown over the island. The visited the iron-plating shop, where the small bonts of the Yorktown are being made ready, and then the sawmill and the steam-engine building. The marine garrison, in command of Capt. L. E. Fagan, was drawn up in line in front of the yards and dock buildings, and saluted the Secretary. After inspecting these buildings, the Secretary inspected the plans of the island and navy-yard. Commandant Seely pointed out the dismantled Antietam, his residence, and other objects of interest. The party then proceeded directly to the tug Stokley and started back np the river, reaching Chestnut-street wharf at 2 o'clock. After luncheon Secretary

that there was plenty of room there, but evaded answering directly as to his decision in the matter. The Discharge of B., R. & P. Conductors. BRADFORD, Pa., April 6.—The sensation of the week has been the discharge of all passenger conductors in the service of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railroad Company. The men were recently notified by letter that their resignations would be accepted on April 1; the conductors immediately gave notice that they were ready to comply with this order from Superintendent Bartlett, and did so. General Passenger Agent Thompson came here on Monday and remained until Wednesday. He had something to do with the men's dismissal. By promoting freight conductors to the positions racated by the retired passenger conductors the uns are made in the regular order. The superntendent held a conference yesterday with the discharged men and gave them the privilege of returning to their trains for a few weeks. He also offered them free transportation to any point which they might desire to reach. The conductors discharged are very popular in this section and have the reputation of being honest and capable men. Their discharge is the result of the train agent system adopted on the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg some months ago.

Tracy left for new York. When asked his opinion of League island as a place for a

first-class navy-yard, the Secretary said

An Indiana Horse Sells for \$15,000.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RUSHVILLE, Ind., April 6 .- O. Posey & Son, of this place, sold to-day their five-year-old stallion Russia, No. 3675, by Nutwood, No. 600; first dam, Regina Victoria, by Hambletonian, No. 10: second dam, by Volunteer, No. 55; third dam, Old Clara, by American Star, to Colonel Goodett and Dr. McCully, managers of the Buene ventura stock farm, Clarksville, 1 Tenn., for \$15,000. Also, a chestnut filly, nine months old, by Russia, first dam Blue Bull, No. 75, for \$1,000. This was not a paper sale, but a cash transaction. and is the most money ever paid for an Indiana horse. Posey & Son paid \$2,950 for Russia when two years old, at the McFerron sale, in 1886.

Snow-Storm in the East. PITTSBURG, April 6.-The heaviest snow-storm of the season is prevailing in this section. It began about 10 o'clock last night and has been snowing ever since. The snow-fall is about eight inches up to 10 o'clock this morning, but in the mountains the railroad men report from eighteen inches to two feet. Trains are all behind time, but no accidents have been reported. The storm seems to be confined to the western part of this

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., April 6.—Afheavy snow-storm is prevailing here, accompanied by thun-der and lightning. It promises to be the deepest of the winter.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 6.—A snow-storm prevailed here last night. To-day heavy snow is reported from the mountains.

Good Flow of Gas.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., April 6 .- Yesterday, at a depth of eighteen feet in Trenton rock, which was reached at 949 feet, a powerful gas well was struck. Pieces of the lower limestone were thrown with great violence out of the hole by the flow of gas, and work was discontinued. An effort will be made to-day to go still deeper, but the work will be very difficult if not altogether impossible. The noise made by the flow could be heard at a depth of 640 feet, over one hundred feet above the Trenton limestone.

Wm. Benson to Suffer the Extreme Penalty. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., April 6 .- The jury in the case of the State against William Benson, the young man who murdered Jacob Motweller, near New Albany, Dec. 10 last, after being out thirty minutes agreed on a verdict, fixing the punishment at death. The case was sent here from New Albany on a change of venue, and has been on trial four days. Benson's attorneys will move for a new trial on Monday.

Building Boom at Tipton.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. TIPTON, Ind., April 6.-The recent influx of railroad men to this place has created a great demand for dwelling-houses, and a large amount of building will be done at once. The Board of Trade is making arrangements for the location of a large chair factory in Tipton, and negotia-tions are being made with several other manufacturing enterprises. The Free-gas Company will be ready to supply the demand in a short time, and a great boom is looked for.

Ida Lewis Saves Another Life. NEWPORT, R. I., April 6.—Mrs. Wilson, widely known by her malden name, Ida Lewis, added another, yesterday, to a long list of lives saved by her in Newport harbor. Her uncle, Henry Lewis, an old man seventy years of age, while returning from fishing in a small skiff, fell overboard in the harbor, near Limerock Light-house, of which she is keeper. She saw the accident and put out in her boat and rescued her upcle in MARYLAND REAL ESTATE.

Decision that Clouds the Titles to Nearly One-third the Property in that State.

BALTIMORE, April 6 .- Real estate dealers, conveyancers and property-owners in Baltimore are very much exercised over the effect of a recent decision of the Court of Appleas, which virtually clouds the titles to nearly one-third of the property of Maryland. The decision referred to is one in regard to the holding of property by married women, and the transfer to them of titles, and was rendered on June 16, 1888, by Judge Robinson, on handing down the case of Levi vs. Rothschild. It virtually makes all property held by a married woman, no matter how acquired, responsible for the debts of the husband. The decision of the court was, so far as the case under consideration went, of no special interest, yet the trouble is that the court at the same time laid down a general principle applicable to one-third of the real estate in the State, and which threw such a doubt upon the legality of certain titles as to seriously agitate the real estate market. The sentence referred to was as fol-

"It can hardly be necessary to say, where a conveyance is made to a married woman, the burden of proof is on the wife to show that the property was purchased and paid for out of the money belonging to him, and that, in absence of such proof, the presump-tion is that the husband furnished the

means of payment. By the clause of the decision referred to, it is claimed that a wife's property, no matter how acquired, whether it was left her by her father or other relatives, or was earned by herself, is responsible, in the absence of this proof, for the debts of the husband. The wife holding property in her own name and wishing to mortgage or sell it, must furnish proof that it was not purchased with money furnished by her husband. It is said that applications for mortgages are rejected every day because of this difficulty. It is probable that a test case will be carried before the Court of Appeals to clear up this point. At any rate, the next Legislature will be asked to pass a law to meet the re-cent decision of Maryland's highest legal tribunal, and to plainly and clearly define the point at issue. The trouble under the decision is in proving the validity of title or the fact that the wife did not secure the property with her husband's money, and to get that proof upon record. A piece of property held years ago by a married womsince, and now owned by different and disinterested parties, may be rendered liable for the bills of the hasband or the former owner. A prominent dealer, this week, in disposing of a piece of property he had acquired from a married woman, was obliged to furnish bond to insure the title. This uncertainty particularly affects the German property-holders of the city. These people, when purchasing property, generally have it conveyed jointly to the man and wife, under the impression that upon the death of one the property naturally passes to the other as the surviving owner, and by this means they keep out of the orphans' court.

WASHINGTON, April 6 .--I. Christie, act ng assistant door-keeper o. .e Senate, died at 6:45 o'clock this morning at his residence in this city. His death adds another name to the long list of victims of inauguration weather, for his friends say that from the cold contracted during the open-air ceremonies of that day he never fully recovered. In his weakened state he succumbed to the bad weather and hard work which characterized the last week of the Senate. He was in attendance upon the Senate when it ad-journed sine die last Tuesday; although not feelng at all well, and took to his bed on the followng day, suffering from congestion of the lungs, which became complicated with weakness of the heart and led to his death this morning. He was born in May, 1842, in Dover, N. H., and coming to Washington twenty-eight years ago was an pointed a page in the Senate, and has remained en the floor in various capacities ever since. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, April 6.—This morning Jonathan Beal, an old and prominent citizen of Montgomery county, died at his home, two miles northeast of this city, after a long illness from a complication of ailments. The deceased was born at Hamilton, O., on May 13, 1818, and came to this city in 1839. On Jan. 3, 1841, he was married to Elizabeth Kellison, and to them nine children were born, eight of them being daughters, who are all living. They are Mrs. W. E. Nicholson, Mrs. Jeff Scott, Mrs. Gus Truitt, Mrs. G. F. Huggans, Mrs. Charles Barrett, Mrs. Al Griest, Mrs. C. W. Jones and Miss Fannie Beal. The funeral will be held on Monday, at 2 P. M. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BEDFORD, Ind., April 6.—General Benjamin Newland, one of the most prominent of our citizens, died here yesterday. He was well known throughout the State, in both political and medi-cal circles. He was the father of Mrs. James H. Willard, of this city. His death was the sequence of a stroke of paralysis. Dr. Newland was sixty-

eight years of age. OPELOUSAS, La., April 6 .- Rev. Gilbert Raymond, at one time the vicar-general of the diocese of New Orleans, and for nearly thirty-four years parish priest at Opelousas, died here this evening, aged eighty. He was a native of France, and for many years was president of St. Mary's College, in Baltimore.

LOGANSPORT, April 6.-Thomas Backus, a plo neer citizen of Cass county, died to-day. He came from England in 1856, and, coming West, ocated on the farm on which he died.

FORT MONROE, Va., April 6.—Mrs. Judge Groesbeck, of Cincinnati, died at noon to-day. The interment will be in Cincinnati.

An Oversensitive Pianist. CINCINNATI, April 6.-Moriz Rosenthal, the roung planist, who with Kreisler, the boy violin st, was to have given a concert here last night and another this afternoon, left the city at 7:10 P. M. yesterday for Chicago, and the management was obliged to keep the doors closed last night and notify patrons to call to-day at the ticket-office and get their money refunded. There has been no official statement of the cause Charles E. Pratt, when asked, this morning, about it, was apparently disturbed, saying with undisguised annoyance: "Oh, I can't say any-thing about it. He left last night for Chicago, and that is all I can say about it. I have been bothered all night, and positively can say no more." There are reasons for supposing that the eccentric planist feared to face a Cincinnat audience, because some one had inserted an advertisement in the papers here, above his advertisement, quoting from an interview with him printed in St. Louis after his former visit here, in which he said that Cincinnati had no proper musical taste; that it liked noise and crash, and would pass in silence Beethoven and Chopin but would applaud loudly some poor little com position of his own. Whatever was the cause it seemed to have operated suddenly, as there was no notice in the evening papers of an intention

to drop the concerts. Grand Army Anniversary. Special to the Indianapolis Journal MONTICELLO, Ill., April 6.—The anniversary of

the birth of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States of America was celebrated tonight. It was organized twenty-three years ago, and the first post installed by Dr. B. F. Stephenson, at Decatur, Ill., April 6, 1866, the anniversary of the battle of Shiloh. There were twelve charter members, six of whom are dead; five of them belonged to the Forty-first Illinois infantry. Gen. James S. Martin, the commander of the Department of Illinois, and his staff, with other prominent members of the order, were present. Maj. M. F. Keenan, the first post com-mander of post No. 1 in the United States, pre-

Business Man Commits Suicide. St. Louis, April 6.—Joseph J. McDowell, a prominent iron-broker of this city, was found dead in his office this afternoon. Mr. McDowell was on 'Change this morning and seemed in good was on 'Change this morning and seemed in good health. He left the floor about 11:30 and went to his office, where he was found, two hours later, dead at his desk, with a pencil in his hand and a lot of papers before him. Mr. McDowell was about fifty-five years of age, and his family consists of a wife, a son, Wm. P. McDowell, of this city, and a married daughter, who now lives in Texas. He was born in Portsmouth, O., where he studied and practiced law, entered the federal army at the outbreak of the war, coming out with the rank of major: came to St. Louis ing out with the rank of major; came to St. Louis and entered the iron trade with the firm of Garrett, McDowell & Co. Later the firm dissolved, and has since been J. J. McDowell & Co,

The Loyal Legion.

CINCINNATI, April 6.-The sixth quadrennia congress of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States begins its session here on Wednesday, April 10. It is composed of the commander-in-chief, ex-President R. B. Hayes; the recorder-in-chief, Lieutenant-Colonel John P. Nicholson, of Philadelphia, and three delegates from each of the eighteen State com-manderies. As the sixth annual dinner of the Ohio Commandery is given on that evening, the members of the congress will be guests of the Ohio Commandery. Members will be present from California, Oregon, Pennsylvania, New York, Maine, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Colorado, Indiana and the District

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R. S. Drake, M. D., Beliot, Kans. "My little sister, four years of age, was so ill from bronchitis that we had almost given up hope of her recovery. Our family physician, a skilful man and of large experience, pronounced it useless to give her any more medicine; saying that he had done all it was possible to do, and we must prepare for the worst. As a last resort, we determined worst. As a last resort, we determined to try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and I can truly say, with the most happy results. After taking a few doses she seemed to breathe easier, and, within a week, was out of danger. We continued giving the Pectoral until satisfied she was entirely well. This has given me unbounded faith onfidently to my customers."—C. O. Lepper, Druggist, Fort Wayne, Ind. For Colds and Coughs, take

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Grievances of the Saints.

SALT LAKE, U. T., April 6 .- The semi-annual with large crowds present. President Woodrus formally opened the proceedings with invoca-tion and thanks. Apostle Heber J. Grant spoke on the necessity of the Saints keeping all the commandments of God and living their religion. in this life; it was not their business to obey some and reject other commands.

Apostle John Henry Smith said that if the Saints lived in accordance with the commandments of God they would receive their reward.
They had gathered in these mountains from allnations to live the principles of their religion.
Elder Rose, recently pardoned by President
Cleveland, indorsed the previous speaker and
called on the Saints to refrain from gossip and
from speaking evil of the Lord's annointed; it was not their place to judge, but leave that to

In the afternoon apostle John W. Taylor spoke of the power of the elders to heal the sick, but if there was no faith left in them let them now call in the elders, but a doctor. He did not object to doctors, but to their bills. We have six thousand children born annually at a cost of \$20 apiece, which was robbery on the part of the doctors. The work of the Mormon Church will roll on till it fills the whole earth.

Reunion of Sixth Indiana Veterans.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal COLUMBUS, Ind., April 6.-There were about seventy members of the Sixth Indiana Volunteer Infantry present at the reunion of that regiment held in this city, last night and to-day. The veterans expressed regret that their Colonel. Hon. W. W. Berry, of Quincy, Ill., was unable to be present. A grand camp-fire was given under the auspices of the regiment at the G. A. R. Hall, last night. There were a large number of visitors present, and the exercises of the evening were very enjoyable. The welcoming address was made by Major Strickland, of this city, and the response by Dr. A. J. Smith, of Indianapolis, who served during the war as a member of the famous Louisville Legion. The evening was spent in songs and impromptu talks by veterans. This morning a business session was held. It was decided to hold the next reunion at North Vernon, on Sept. 19 and 20. The following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year: President, Col. H. Tripp, North Vernon; vice-president, Capt. P. H. McGannon, North Vernon; secretary, Owen Scarf. Madison; treasurer, J. B. Anderson, Elizabethtown.

Farmers Will Boycott Binding Twine.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ANDERSON, April 6 .- The anti-binder twine farmers met in Anderson to-day to resolve against paying trust prices for binding twine. The meeting was well attended, and the question of binding twine and how to defeat the twine trust was discussed. The sentiment developed was decidedly in favor of binding by hand with straw rather than pay trust prices. The resolu-tions adopted pledged the farmers to purchase no twine at higher prices than last year, to use all honorable means to prevent farmers from using trust twine; that no self-binding reapers would be purchased unless the manufacturer agreed to fight the trust; that no merchant would be patronized in the purchase of any kind o goods who offered trust twine for sale at a higher price than offered last year. The resolutions were adopted and the boycottagainst trust twins

New Gold Discovery in Montana. HELENA, M. T., April 6 .- News of rich place? diggings in the Bearpaw mountains, fifty miles rth of Fort Benton, has The dispatch states that parties had arrived from there having in their possession large quof gold-dust which they had taken f placer diggings recently discovered by them. They sold some of it to merchants at Fort Belknap, and had purchased supplies and returned to their find. A man named Johnson, just from the mines, had a large buckskin pouch filled with gold dust. He said his party was making \$8 to \$10 a day, and one man had made \$90 in one day. The closest railway is fifty miles. day. The closest railway is fifty miles. The Bearpaw, like the Black Hills, are a detached group of mountains, each lying about the same distance from the main range.

Missing Editor Reappears. EASTPORT, Me., April 6 .- H. F. Wilder, proprietor of the Eastport Messenger, disappeared last November. His hat and a small boat, in which he had gone to Tubre, were found at the time, the boat bottom-side up. He was given up by his wife and friends as lost. Within three days his wife has received a letter from him at Pawtucket, R. I. He says the last thing he remembers was standing on the beach at Tibre, After that his mind was a blank until he found himself in the woods near Pawtucket, ragged and poor. At the time of his disappearance he was worn out by over-work and sickness in his

family. These cares, with loss of sleep, probably unsettled his mind. Treasurer Huston's Bond Filled. Special to the Indianapolis Journal

CONNERSVILLE, Ind., April 6.-George W. Robertson arrived in this city to-day with the blank bond of the Hon. James N. Huston, Treasurer of the United States, and it was filled out with the following gentlemen as his bondsmen: Wm. Newkirk, John W. Ross, James H. Fearis, Chas. Robel and Geo. Sinks, all of this city. The bond is for \$150,000, and was taken at once to Washington by Mr. Robertson. Mr. Huston's family are still here, but will take up their home

at the capital in about a week. Steamship News. HAVRE, April 6 .- Arrived: La Bretagne, from New York; Ocean Prince, from Baltim LONDON, April 6 .- Sighted: Gothenburg City, from Baltimore for Antwerp. NEW YORK, April 6 .- Arrived: Umbria, from Liverpool; Geliert, from Hamburg; Leerdam, from Amsterdam.

Explosion in a Coal Mine. Duquoin, Ill., April 6.—An explosion of gas occurred in the new Muddy Valley coal mine of Captain W. P. Halliday, situated six miles south of here, last evening, by which several men and boys were severely wounded. Two of the number are known to be fatally burned. The explosion was caused by the lamp of one of the

A Widower's Wooing.

Youngstown, O., April 6.—Eli Fleming, a wid-wero with nine children, visited the poor-house yesterday, selected from the inmates a woman uamed Mrs. Hannah Lutz, proposed marriage and was accepted. The couple drove to the near est justice of the peace, where they were married Prior to the meeting yesterday they were strangers.

Closed by Creditors.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. LA PORTE, Ind., April 6.-George Tonnare drug store has been closed by creditors. Liabili-ties about \$10,000 on stock and for rents.